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NAVAIR NOTICE 3025

From: Commander, Naval Air Systems Command

Subj: OPERATIONAL ADVISORY GROUPS

Ref: (a) COMNAVAIRLANT/COMNAVAIRPACINST 3025.1 (NOTAL)

Encl: (1) Operational Advisory Groups Categories (CAT) and
            Priority Evaluation Scale CAT/Relative Evaluation
            Scale

1. **Purpose.** To provide guidance, delineate procedures, and assign responsibilities for the processing of Operational Advisory Group (OAG) priorities in the Naval Aviation Systems TEAM (NAST) for the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV (Code N88)) sponsored programs.

2. **Background.** Since their inception, OAGs have provided a feedback system from the Fleet to OPNAV and the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) for upgrading major aviation weapon systems. They have provided a forum for direct Fleet interface with requirements officers, program managers, and technical advisors. Sponsorship for these air platform OAGs has recently shifted to the air Type Commanders (TYCOMs).

3. **Discussion.** Reference (a) contains specific guidance for chartering aviation program OAGs, areas to be addressed, and procedures for processing priorities to Commanders-In-Chief (CINCs), OPNAV, and NAVAIR staffs. N88, CINC, and TYCOM staffs require timely feedback from NAVAIR and PEO program offices, and the DRPM on the status of OAG priorities. Under this guidance, the Type Wings will chair OAGs, nominate members, and provide prioritized lists of recommendations to the TYCOMs using the categories in enclosure (1). The TYCOMs will:

   a. Charter OAGs as standing bodies.

   b. Coordinate participation outside of TYCOMs to include OPNAV and program manager representatives.

   c. Review, endorse, and track OAG recommendations and provide periodic feedback to OAGs.

    d.   Submit recommendations for system upgrades/modifications requiring acquisition category to the CINCs for endorsement.

    e.   Submit recommendations not requiring Mission Needs Statements to N88 for concurrence and forwarding to the Direct Reporting Program Manager (DRPM), program managers via the respective Naval Aviation Program Executive Officer (PEO), or NAVAIR program managers via the Deputy Commander for Acquisition and Operations (AIR-01) as delegated by the Commander, Naval Air Systems Command.

4. Responsibilities

    a.   DRPM/PEOs/NAVAIR

        (1) Forward OAG priorities received from N88 to cognizant program offices or divisions for action.

        (2) Review and pass back status of OAG priority programs received from program managers and cognizant codes to N88/CINC/ TYCOM via letter or naval message with focus on top 10 priorities.

    b.   Program Offices and Divisions

        (1) Provide initial feedback within 60 days on OAG priorities to N88, CINCs/TYCOMs via DRPM, PEOs, and NAVAIR (AIR-01).

        (2) Provide status of OAG priorities at program reviews with focus on top 10.

        (3) Provide program office briefings at OAG meetings, as requested.

        (4) Serve as an advisory member of OAGs.

        (5) Include OAG category and priority listing of programs when providing data to the Health of Naval Aviation (HONA) data base.

    c.   HONA Office

        (1) Include OAG priorities in program office data bases.

        (2) Provide breakout of top OAG priorities by platform, as requested.

5. <u>Cancellation.</u> This notice will remain in effect until revised or replaced by a NAVAIR instruction and for record purposes on 31 August 1994.

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OPERATIONAL ADVISORY GROUPS CATEGORIES (CAT) AND PRIORITY

EVALUATION SCALE CAT/RELATIVE EVALUATION SCALE

OPERATIONAL ADVISORY GROUPS CAT AND PRIORITY EVALUATION SCALE CAT

1. CAT A - Airframe Life Extension/Safety of Flight.

2. CAT B - Maintainability/Reliability Issues.

3. CAT C - War Fighting Upgrades.

4. CAT D - Community concerns to include, but are not limited to, tactical development, training, test and evaluation, support/logistics, personnel, and Mission Needs Statement.

RELATIVE EVALUATION SCALE

1. Absolutely necessary. Cost of doing business.

2. Critical programs which must be protected and funded to preclude severe risk in warfare areas.

3. Important programs which should be funded to preclude serious risk in warfare areas.

4. Programs which carry a high war fighting value and can be lost with some risk.

5. Programs which provide excess capability or a margin of risk which could be lost with little or no impact in warfare areas.

(Note: The relative evaluation scale may not be applicable to some CAT D concerns.)